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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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Ronda M. Allen et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1652  
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Serial No.: 09/648,641 ) Examiner: R. Hutson  
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Filed: August 25, 2000 )  
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For: METHODS FOR PURIFYING )  
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Sir:

**RESPONSE**

Applicants now respond to the Office Action mailed December 18, 2001. The period for reply has been extended three months by the Petition for a Three Month Extension of Time and fee payment filed concurrently herewith.

The Examiner required restriction to one of the following groups of claims under 35 U.S.C. § 121:

- Group I, claims 1 to 19;
- Group II, claims 20 to 22;
- Group III, claims 20, 21, and 23; and
- Group IV, claims 24-26.

Applicants elect Group 1, claims 1-19, without traverse.

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Respectfully submitted,

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